[Mr. Kottalil P. Abraham.]

(*b*) if so, their names and their headquarters, and their respective registered capitals?

**MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO** (*Registrar of Co-operative Societies*): (*a*) None.

(*b*) The question does not arise.

*Malayalam Primary School for Girls at Varkala.*

89. ❋ **MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN** (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have decided to raise the Malayalam Primary School for Girls at Varkala to a Malayalam High School from the beginning of next academic year?

**MR. A. GOPALA MENON**: No.

*Extension of Transport Service.*

90. ❋ **MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN**: Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have considered the possibility of extending the Transport Service from Poojapura to Kattakada and from there to Nedumangad?

**MR. E. G. SALTER**: Yes.

*Delivery of articles by the Anchal Department.*

91. ❋ **MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) what undertaking is given by the Anchal Department for the safe and secure delivery of articles, for which, an additional amount of ¾ of a Chackram is realised from the public and a certificate of posting is issued;

(*b*) what undertaking is given by the Department for the safe and secure delivery of articles posted as "Book Post"; and

(*c*) why the Department includes "Book Post" articles in the bag lists?

**MR. D. GAINNEOS**: (*a*) No undertaking is given except the usual undertaking that all articles posted in the Anchal Offices will be duly delivered.

(*b*) The same as in the case of all un-registered articles.

(*c*) Book-posts are included in the bag lists since their contents are supposed to be valuable.

*District Hospital, Nagercoil.*

92. ❋ **MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the amount sanctioned during the years 1113, 1114 and 1115 for diet, in the District Hospital, Nagercoil;

(*b*) the number of in-patients in that hospital during those years; and

(*c*) the number of in-patients in the first quarter of 1116?

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**VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE:** (*a*) 1113-Rs. 640.

1114-Rs. 607.
1115-Rs. 603.
(*b*) 1113-915.
1114-903.
1115-1,042.
(*c*) 365.

*Codification and publication of the Laws of the State.*

93. ***MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any publication by them, available to the public, compiling all the laws of the State codified up to date (20-5-1116) with all the amendments and rules in force on that date?

**MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Legal Remembrancer to Government*): Volumes I to X of the "*Acts and Proclamations of* Travancore" contain all the statutory enactments and rules up to the 23rd Vrischigam 1114/8th December 1938. The question of publishing the next volume containing the subsequent enactments and rules is under the consideration of Government.

*Male Nurses in the Hospitals.*

94. ***SRIMATI T. NARAYANI AMMA** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how long it is since the scheme of appointing male nurses in the Hospitals has been introduced;

(*b*) what the total number of male nurses appointed was;

(*c*) what their present number is; and

(*d*) whether the experiment has been found to be successful?

**VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE:** (*a*) The scheme for the training of men as nurses was sanctioned in September 1939. The first batch is under training.

(*b*) No male nurse has yet been appointed in the department.

(*c*) and (*d*) In view of the answer to part (b), these do not arise.

**SRIMATI T. NARAYANI AMMA:** May I know, Sir, whether the comparative advantages of increasing the number of female nurses has been considered in connection with the scheme?

**VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE:** The Department is aware that more female nurses are wanted; but the comparative advantages have not been considered.

**MR. D. C. JOSEPH** (*Nominated*): May I know from the honourable member, hitherto who were doing all this nursing business?

**VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE:** The female nurses were doing some of the work; there are certain kinds of work which they are not able to do satisfactorily and that is why the scheme of training male nurses has been introduced.

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